

Innovation in Humanitarian Actions (IHA): why necessary and for whom?

Humanitarian assistance in response to conflicts and natural disasters continues to evolve through the promotion of innovation. However, there is not always consensus among stakeholders on the definition or purpose of innovation in humanitarian aid. Moreover, evidence on the effectiveness of innovation is limited. With this in mind, this symposium will explore the innovation practices of UN humanitarian agencies, considering their potential and challenges.

Thursday, October 24, 2024 17:30-19:30 (JST)

Venue: 17F, Building #2, Sophia University (Max. 120 pers.) or Zoom (No limitation)

Language: English & Japanese (simultaneous interpretation available only in Zoom)*

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UN Secretary-General António Guterres' video message



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1. Presentations

Innovative practices in humanitarian contexts

2. Panel discussion

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Online

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